REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES AGAINST JUDGE GEORGE W. ENGLISH

February 12, 1925.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. Graham, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. J. Res. 347]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution 347, appointing a special committee to investigate certain charges made against George W. English, United States district judge for the eastern district of Illinois, having considered the same, orders that it be favorably reported with the following amend-

ments and recommend that the resolution as amended do pass.

In line 5, strike out the word "members" and insert in lieu thereof the word "being".

In line 6, strike out the word "of" and insert "a". Strike out "No. II," and after the word "the" insert "Committee on the". Also strike out the word "Committee" and insert "of the House of Representatives", in lieu thereof.

On page 2, after line 13, insert the following section:

SEC. 2. That said special committee be, and the same is hereby, authorized to employ such stenographic and clerical assistance as they may deem necessary, and all expenses incurred by said special committee, including the expenses of such committee when sitting in or outside of the District of Columbia, shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives on vouchers ordered by said committee, signed by the chairman of said committee: Provided, however, That the total expenditures authorized by this resolution shall not exceed the sum of \$5,000.

Under a communication from the Speaker of the House, a preliminary examination into the charges against Hon. George W. English, United States district judge for the eastern district of Illinois, was made by a subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House, and this committee reported unanimously recommending that the case was one in which a thorough and complete investigation should be made.

Matters in the district in question are apparently in a very disturbed condition and the accusations against this judge ought to be carefully looked into so that they could be dismissed, or if sustained proper proceedings founded thereon be instituted under the Constitution.

The Committee on the Judiciary unanimously authorized the chairman of the committee to present the joint resolution in question to the House, which was done, and the same was referred back to this committee for action.

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